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2           Please cancel claims 37-50 without prejudice as indicated below in the detailed  
3 listing of claims.

4 Claims 1-50 (cancelled).  
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1 Claim 51 (previously presented). A foldable ramp, comprising:

2 a first pivot bar, a second pivot bar, and a third pivot bar;

3 a first ramp section, comprising a plurality of first section components, each of  
4 which comprises a deck panel and a pair of substantially parallel, juxtaposed, spaced-  
5 apart first side flanges, each of which defines an opening;

6 a second ramp section, comprising a plurality of second section components,  
7 each of which comprises a deck panel and a pair of substantially parallel, juxtaposed  
8 spaced-apart second side flanges, each of which defines a first opening and a second  
9 opening;

10 a third ramp section, comprising a plurality of third section components, each of  
11 which comprises a deck panel and a pair of substantially parallel, juxtaposed, spaced-  
12 apart third side flanges, each of which defines a first opening and a second opening;  
13 and

14 a fourth ramp section, comprising a plurality of fourth section components, each  
15 of which comprises a deck panel and a pair of substantially parallel, juxtaposed,  
16 spaced-apart fourth flanges, each of which defines an opening, wherein:

17 the first pivot bar is disposed through each of the first side flange openings  
18 and through each of the second side flange first openings to pivotally join the first  
19 and second ramp sections;

20 the second pivot bar is disposed through each of the second side flange  
21 second openings and through each of the third side flange first openings to  
22 pivotally join the second and third ramp sections; and

23 the third pivot bar is disposed through each of the third side flange second  
24 openings and through each of the fourth side flange openings to pivotally join the  
25 third and fourth ramp sections.

26 Claim 52 (previously presented). The ramp of claim 51, wherein:

27 the first ramp section is narrower than the second ramp section;

28 the second ramp section is narrower than the third ramp section; and

29 the third ramp section is narrower than the fourth ramp section.

1 Claim 53 (previously presented). The ramp of claim 51, the ramp being configured to  
2 fold, wherein:

3 the first ramp section can pivot about the first pivot bar to be substantially  
4 parallel, and in juxtaposed relation, to the second ramp section;

5 the first and second ramp sections together can then pivot about the second  
6 pivot bar to be substantially parallel, and in juxtaposed relation, to the third ramp  
7 section; and

8 the first, second, and third ramp sections together can then pivot about the third  
9 pivot bar to be substantially parallel, and in juxtaposed relation, to the fourth ramp  
10 section.

11 Claim 54 (previously presented). The ramp of claim 53, wherein after being folded:

12 the first, second, third, and fourth ramp sections are substantially parallel, and in  
13 juxtaposed relation, to each other;

14 the first ramp section is between the second ramp section and the third ramp  
15 section; and

16 the second ramp section is between the third ramp section and the fourth ramp  
17 section.

18 Claim 55 (previously presented). The ramp of claim 51, wherein the respective section  
19 components of each ramp section are fixedly joined to one another.

20 Claim 56 (previously presented). The ramp of claim 55, wherein the section  
21 components are joined by welding.

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24 -- End of Amendments to the Claims --  
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